

FOLIO.
"FROST TONIGHT."

Apple-green west and an orange bar,
and the crystal eye of a lone, old
star,
and "Gould take the shears and cut
the hair."

Then I sally forth, half sad, half
proud,
And I come to the velvet, imperi-
crowd,
The wine-red, the gold, the crimson
the pled--
The dainties that reign by the garden
side.

The dahlias I might not touch till to-
night!
A gleam of the shears in the faded
light,
And I gathered them all—the splend-
id, the strong,
And in one great sheaf I bore the
weight
along.
In my garden of Life with its all-lav-
ish
flowers,
I heed a Voice in the shrinking hour
of the day,
And I know that I have
gathered them all—
the splend-
id, the strong,
And in one great sheaf I bore the
weight
along.

Half wad, half proud, my arms I fill
—Edith W. Thomas, in Harper's Magazine.

THE MOTHER.

I am the pillars of the house;
The keystone of the arch am I,
Take me away, and roof and wall
Would fall to ruin utterly.

I am the fire upon the hearth,
I am the light of the good sun,
I am the heat that warms the earth
Which else were colder than a stone
At me the children warm their hands
I am their light of love alive,
Without me cold the hearthstone
stands,
Nor could the precious children
thrive.

I am the twist that holds together
The children in its sacred ring.
Their knot of love, from whose clasp
No lost child goes a-wandering.

I am the house from floor to roof,
I deck the walls, the board I spread;
I spin the curtains, warp and woof,
And shake the down to be their bed.

I am their wall against all danger,

their door against the wind and
snow.
Then whom a woman laid in man's
Take me not till the children grow
—From Katharine Tynan's "New
Poems," London, Sidgwick
Jackson.

VIEWS AND VARIETIES

Clever Sayings

Tommy—Pop, what is sound advice?
Tommy's papa—Sound advice, my son,
is generally nine parts sound and one
part of the pig's trotter.

"Father, what does it mean when they say 'kid glove reformers'?" "It means a man who's trying to stop graft without injuring the business of the grafters."—Life.

Britisher—The caddy said that if fee I offered him was shy about a hal. What did he mean by "shy?" Hubbl—He meant you had offered him to modest a sum.—Boston Transcript.

I never saw a purple cow;
And I think it is a fake,
And in the times prevailing now
I seldom see a steak.
—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Jones—Have you noticed how your health has improved since you have a automobile? Brown—Oh, yes, I have a fine appetite now if I only could afford to eat.—Satire.

Customer—I didn't see as your car won any prize in that race. What are you blowing about? Auto dealer—We had a higher percentage of drivers finish alive than any other firm! Puck.

"I always make it my business to interest myself in the things in which my husband is interested." "Then I suppose you know exactly how much each player is to get out of the receipts of the world's championship series."—Chicago Record-Herald.

MUCH IN LITTLE

Russia has the fewest physicians of any civilized country.

The total value of the mine output

Miss Anna Willis Williams, the original Miss Liberty, whose profile adorns the silver dollar, has been for the last 12 years at the head of the kindergarten system of Philadelphia, Pa.

South Carolina has been mining phosphate rocks since 1868, and the production has steadily declined since 1889, with the exception of two or three years, when a slight increase in production was noted.

port on plantation rubber in Malaya which will be loaned to interested firms on application to the bureau of manufactures.

During the year 1910 no improvement was made in the Spanish railway system. Madrid is connected with the great centers of population and industry by one nominally fast and on tentatively slow train a day.

London still depends upon its army of cats to handle the rats among the ships that come up the Thames. The port of London authority has made known its estimate for cats' milk for the year. The appropriation is £4,000.

Jamaica has shown remarkable recuperative power in recovering from losses by earthquake, storms and

In the first eight months of the present year, according to returns just issued by the British Board of Trade, the imports of iron and steel and

ufactures thereof aggregated \$35,864,538, or \$7,561,165 more than in the corresponding period last year. The value of the exports was \$139,208,428, an increase of \$1,098,602.